

# The Times-Democrat.

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PRICE THREE CENTS.

## LIGHT

## WHIPPING THE DONS.

### Pando Wants Reinforcements

SPECIAL TO TIMES-DEMOCRAT.  
HAVANA, December 20.—The Cuban war is assuming a decisive character in Santiago de Cuba province. If the military efforts of General Pando against General Garcia fail, as seems probable, Spain will have to abandon the east to insurgents unless the Spanish government can afford to send one hundred thousand soldiers to Cuba and spend a hundred million dollars. Pando has again cabled Blanco for reinforcements.

### HORSEWHIPPED

### Because He Censured Dancers

SPECIAL TO TIMES-DEMOCRAT.  
WEBSTER, Iowa, December 20.—There was a dance here Saturday night at Walnut Grove, and Sunday morning Rev. N. A. Forrest criticized those who attended. After the service Tillie Harstow and Mary Cunningham horse whipped the preacher so badly that he was unable to preach in the evening.

### TRAIN WRECKED

### On a Trestle Near Cincinnati.

SPECIAL TO TIMES-DEMOCRAT.  
CINCINNATI, December 20.—A Portsmouth & Virginia freight train jumped the track near here while crossing a trestle. The engine and nine cars were wrecked. The engineer and fireman were both injured and a large number of cattle were killed.

### OVER THE SPOILS.

### Eastern Nations Scrambling.

SPECIAL TO TIMES-DEMOCRAT.  
LONDON, December 20.—A scramble for partition of China has begun, and it is plain that other countries besides Russia and Germany will have a great deal to say. Japan expects to have a voice in the settlement, as well as France and the United States, while Great Britain's interests are larger and more vital than those of any other nation.

### FOR ALBANY

### Alleged Kidnapper Is Bound.

SPECIAL TO TIMES-DEMOCRAT.  
KANSAS CITY, December 20.—Albert S. Warner, one of the alleged kidnappers of Johnny Conway at Albany, N. Y., last August, left Kansas City last night for Albany in charge of officers.

### REBEL COLONEL

### Killed for Urging Autonomy.

SPECIAL TO TIMES-DEMOCRAT.  
WASHINGTON, December 20.—Of great importance has been received here of the killing of Colonel Joaquin Ruiz, general Blanco's peace envoy. Further information is to the effect that the rebel colonel Nestor Aranguren was killed at the same time. Dispatches say that both were shot by the order of Alexander Rodriguez, commander of Cuban forces in Havana province. The killing of Aranguren was due to his attitude in favor of accepting autonomy. Cubans here doubt the death of the latter.

### PENSION FRAUDS

### On a Gigantic Scale Charged.

SPECIAL TO TIMES-DEMOCRAT.  
NEW YORK, December 20.—In an article which occupies the whole first page of the Sun this morning it is stated that the nation is being robbed on a gigantic scale by pension frauds. It is claimed that the rolls are padded beyond belief, and the Sun figures state that there are 727,100 survivors of the war living, including widows, and 40,719 more "survivors" and "widows" drawing pensions, than there are actual survivors and widows. It puts the blame on pension lawyers and reckless legislation.

HUYLER'S. Get a box of Huyler's Candies for your best girl for Xmas. Just in at Melville's.

Lemonade Sets and Fancy Dishes at Hausman & Co's.

## C. E. BLUEM. 57 PUBLIC SQUARE. C. E. BLUEM.

# SPLENDID COLD WEATHER BARGAINS

## That Will Also Make Useful Christmas Gifts.

Fur Capes, Fur Collarettes, Children's Fur Sets, Cloth Capes, Nobby Jackets for Ladies and Misses, Dress Patterns, Wool Blankets and Warm Underwear, all at Bargains this week.

### Choice Dress Patterns For Christmas Gifts.

Gentlemen, you won't make a mistake if you buy one of those choice Dress Patterns for your mother, wife or sister. They are the correct styles and come in black and colored.

### Dress Patterns for \$3.50.

### Dress Patterns for \$4.50.

### Dress Patterns for \$5.25.

### Dress Patterns for \$6.00.

All put up in a neat box, the only way to give a Dress Pattern as a Christmas gift.

### Christmas Handkerchiefs.

All nicely put up in a handsome box if you buy a dollar's worth or over.

### Kid Gloves.

For the Holidays are put in a neat box.

### A Stylish Jacket.

Of all wool boucle goods, double stitched seams, made by cloak tailors and made to set just right, as good as some are for \$8, but our price is only \$5.75.

Also plain light Jackets worth \$8.50 to \$10, will be found here at \$5 each.

### Fine Nobby Jackets.

In this lot you will find some unusual good bargains this week.

### Cloth Capes,

Here, too, we have some very good bargains to offer.

### Wool Shawls.

They would make a nice Christmas gift and you can get them here, good values and at the right price.

### Gentlemen,

Our store will be open every evening this week. Stop in and see what you can buy for your wife as a Christmas gift.

### Linen for the Holidays.

Table Cloths and Napkins to match.

Cloth 8-12, Napkins 3-4, for \$4.98.

Cloth 8-12, Napkins 3-4, for \$4.76.

Cloth 8-14, Napkins 3-4, for \$7.00.

Cloth 8-10, Napkins 3-4, for \$7.50.

Cloth 8-12, Napkins 3-4, for \$9.00.

Cloth 8-12, Napkins 3-4, for \$9.25.

Cloth 8-14, Napkins 3-4, for \$11.50.

Cloth 8-12, Napkins 3-4, for \$19.00.

### Umbrellas

### For the Holidays.

We can't begin to tell you about the choice line of Umbrellas we have on sale this year. It's by far the best assortment ever shown. Take a little time and glance over our Umbrellas.

This store wants to do you justice, so do as much of your Holiday shopping in the morning as possible, because we can give you so much better service, besides we want you to have the right kind of goods.

# G. E. BLUEM,

57 Public Square,

The Dry Goods, Dress Goods and Cloak House.

## MONDAY AND TUESDAY

Of this week we will sell any Sideboard in our Store at

# ACTUAL COST

A Sideboard makes an appropriate Xmas Present.

## J. W. ROWLANDS,

THE RELIABLE HOUSEFURNISHER.

204 North Main Street.

A Ticket on 25 Presents with each 50c.

## Holiday : Neckwear.

Magnificent Styles at Reasonable Prices.

## THE UNION.

Headquarters for Xmas Presents.

## It's An Easy Task To Select Presents Here.

Make out your list and come to this store to fill it. We are confident that you can find it here more satisfactorily, more cheaply, more quickly than elsewhere. Every department is a bargain bazaar in itself.

Note our Holiday Novelties, our Handkerchiefs, our Mufflers, our Art Linens, Center Pieces, Dresser Sets and Sideboard Scarfs, our Stand Covers, our Mantel Draperies, our Pocketbooks, Chatelaines, Shopping Bags and Fancy Belts, our Side Combs, Hat Pins and Fancy Garters, our Silk and Saten Skirts, our Ready-to-Wear Waists, our Ladies' Fur Collarettes and Muffs, our Children's Furs, Cloaks and Caps, our Aprons and Fancy Neckwear, our Umbrellas and Fans, our Kid Gloves and Mittens, our Fascinators, our Infants' Shoes and Infants' wear generally, our Hosiery, Leggings, Gaiters and Underwear—any of these items make most acceptable gifts.

## Just Arrived,

### FEW SHIPMENTS OF

Linen Frames, Complete with silk, 40 cents.  
The Cuddon Frames in all sizes.  
Fancy Natal Kites at 25 cents and 40 cents.  
Sterling Silver Paper Cutters at 25, 35, and 50 cents.  
Combination "Sterling" Paper Cutter and Pen for 50 cents.  
Perfumery at 10, 25, 50, and 75 cents.  
Novelty Atomizers filled with Eau de Cologne for 25 cents.

Feldmann & Co.  
118 N. MAIN ST.

OPEN EVENINGS DURING THIS WEEK.

### Was Watson's Sentence.

### Ferguson Divorce Suit Dismissed By Judge Robb.

### Supreme Court Makes an Important Ruling.

Ben Watson, who was convicted week before last on the charge of assault and battery, was brought into court this morning and sentenced by Judge Richie. He was given a fine of \$200 and costs. The court suspended the fine on the condition that he pay the costs. Watson was indicted by the grand jury on the charge of assault with intent to commit rape, and is fortunate in escaping with such a light sentence.

### IMPORTANT DECISION.

The supreme court Saturday rendered a decision that will affect every county auditor in the state. Suit was brought by auditor C. H. Jones, of Lucas county, against the county commissioners of that county. He brought the suit to prevent the county from recovering \$100 which he had been paid for preparing the commissioners annual report. The supreme court held that the making of the report was a part of the regular duties of the county auditor and that he cannot charge an additional fee for compiling the report.

### CASES FOR NEXT WEEK.

Judge Mooney will hold court here next week and will hear the following cases: Harry D. Myer vs. Frank Scott et al. Monday.

Board of Education of Bath town vs. J. B. Townsend, damages. Tuesday. Attorneys, Cable & Parmenter; Richie and Leete.

Aaron Jones vs. Samuel Jones et al., contest of a will. Thursday. Attorneys for plaintiff, Williamson & Blank and Kidenour & Halfhill; for defense Henderson.

### ASSIGNMENTS.

The following assignments have been set for next week:

John W. Bashore et al. vs. Sophia M. Delphin. Monday.

D. L. Bates & Bro. vs. M. A. Ackerman. Tuesday.

Clifton Shaffer vs. Zachariah Pyle et al. Wednesday.

William F. Baker vs. James B. Townsend et al. Thursday.

Patterson R. Kerr vs. Jonathan J. Forrell. Friday.

### REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Alexander F. Frick and Elizabeth Frick to Joseph Brenneiman, 30 acres in Marion township, \$1500.

### DAMAGE SUIT.

The damage suit of Andrew Freymann against the trustees of Richland township, as individuals, is still occupying the attention of the court. The case will probably be completed to day.

### SUIT DISMISSED.

Judge Robb, to day, dismissed the divorce suit brought by William Ferguson against his wife, Anna C. Ferguson.

Sleds, Express Wagons and Doll Buggies at Hausman & Co's. 6-21

### W. V. R. U.

### Elect Officers to Serve for Another Year.

The Woman's Veteran Relief Union elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

President, Lida Myers, senior vice president, Martha Railing, junior vice president, Elizabeth Keiffer, chaplain, Martha Hook, treasurer, Martha Seery, secretary, Emma Brown, conductress, Ella Drake, inner guard, Kate Stick, outside guard, Clara Wetherill, pianist, Gertrude Higgins.

### STILL DESIRABLE.

### Mexican Money is Stolen.

SPECIAL TO TIMES-DEMOCRAT.  
NEW YORK, December 20.—The Word Line Steamer, City of Washington, from Vera Cruz, reported \$3,000 in Mexican coin stolen from the strong box during her voyage. No clue to the robbers.

Before buying your furniture see New York Furniture Co., 15 Public Square. 6-31

Go to New York Furniture Co. for big gains in rockers. 6-31

# Christmas Gifts From The Mammoth

Are sure to prove acceptable to any man or boy. There is such a splendid variety of good things to select from that no holiday shopper searching for suitable presents for men, youths and boys, should pass the place by. Why waste money on cheap jewelry jim-cracks, which are of no earthly use to anyone, when the same sum, judiciously expended at THE MAMMOTH, will procure presents that will be appreciated by the recipients as beautiful, appropriate and useful? The backward season has left an unusually large stock of novelties on hand, and as Christmas is coming soon, we must clear away the surplus at a sacrifice. We call your attention to a few of the bargains we offer:



In Hosiery we have the largest stock and variety in the city. It is unnecessary to describe the stock in detail. Anything you want we have.

## AN UMBRELLA

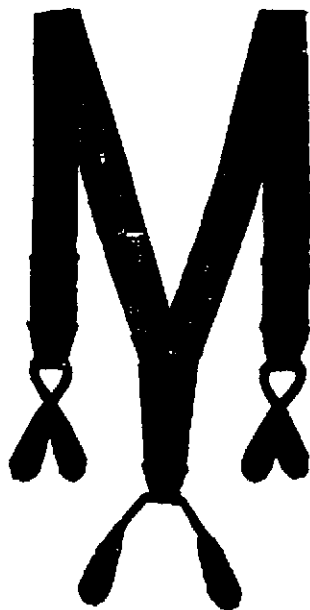
Will be an acceptable Christmas present, and we are prepared to show all kinds, from the finest silk to the cheapest Gingham. Our prices will suit any purse.



Muffers in bewitching colors of Paisley and Brocade effects; also in charming plain shades as well as cream color and white. Prices, 50c, 60c, 75c, \$2.00. Ladies are especially invited to visit the store and view these novelties, which make elegant Christmas presents.

## Winter Caps

At almost cost. We have a large stock of Men's Winter Caps that we intend to sell and sell at once. We have an elegant lot of splendid Caps made in Scotch Mixtures, Corduroys, English Tweeds, Cassimeres, Cheviots, Chinchillas and Beavers. Every Cap in the lot is well worth \$1.00, but we will sell them for 50c apiece. By coming quick you can get first choice.



## Suspenders

Are sold here very cheaply. We have hundreds of colors and kinds of webs, at all prices. Beautiful English and French Suspenders. Elegant Persian styles, Silk Brocades, genuine Hand-Embroidered or Painted, or charming plain colors, Satin or Silk, ready for painting or embroideries, each pair with gold or silver buckles, at very attractive prices. No end to our variety of Boy's Suspenders.

WE ARE  
**HEADQUARTERS**  
—FOR—  
**GLOVES!**



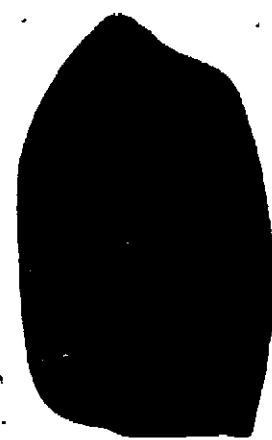
We have them in all kinds, from an

**Elegant dress kid worth \$2.25**

to the cheapest varieties of dog skin, etc.

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## Smoking Jacket



Will please most men, and we are prepared to show a splendid variety. Our stock of DRESSING GOWNS and Bath ROBES is the largest and finest in the city. A complete stock of NIGHT SHIRTS.

## Nobby Neckwear!

THE MAMMOTH is headquarters for Neckwear of all description. Ascots, Puffs, Ties, in all the latest styles and shades, and at prices way below the figures quoted at other stores.

Fine and Fashionable Neckwear is one of the special features of



## THE MAMMOTH.

You make no mistake if you purchase here

## Winter Suits and Overcoats!

There is no Christmas present more appropriate and acceptable for a man than an elegant New Suit or Overcoat. In these departments we lead all our competitors. Elegant satin lined Overcoats all the way

**FROM \$8.00 TO \$18.00.**

Suits, the most stylish made, are sold at correspondingly low figures. The Stein-Bloch Clothing, the most celebrated make in the market, is sold at THE MAMMOTH only and at half the price charged for custom clothing only half as good.



# THE MAMMOTH STORE

## IN THE BEST OF HUMOR

Was President Ratchford of the Miners' Union.

### DEFEAT DID NOT NETTLE HIM

At Least His Appearances Indicated as Much, but He Left Rather Sadly and His Friends Are Very Angry.

Nashville, Dec. 20.—The defeat in the American Federation of Labor convention of M. D. Ratchford, president of the United Mine Workers, for the position of national delegate to England has caused a good deal of talk, and the departure of Mr. Ratchford and his colleague, T. L. Lewis, gives emphasis to some of the rumors.

It is intimated by some that Ratchford was "thrown down" in the balloting, and some of his friends claim the rulings upon the different ballots and the decisions as to the number of votes required to elect were against him.

Some of Ratchford's friends have been very severe in their criticisms of the president's rulings, but there seems to be no disposition to bring the matter before the convention, though if any opportunity is offered to get in a blow against the rulings complained of it will probably be taken advantage of.

important work, especially in forwarding the 8-hour movement and the action taken in regard to the restriction of immigration along the lines of an educational test.

Both movements, he claimed, were closely related, and with both secured the supply of labor will diminish and better wages follow.

### Equivalent to a Reduction.

Cheyenne, Wyo., Dec. 20.—Notice have been posted in the Union Pacific shops at Cheyenne and Laramie reducing the time of the men employed from five to four days a week and from eight hours to seven hours per day, taking effect immediately. In addition, the employees are given a lay-off of 10 days during the holidays. This is equal to a reduction of 30 per cent in wages. The reduction is said to be caused by a falling off of business on the Union Pacific equal to 40 per cent of the business done during the summer months.

### Doing a Banking Business.

St. Louis, Dec. 20.—During the taking of depositions in the case of the state against four trust companies of this city, Cashier W. H. Thompson of the Boatman's bank sprang a surprise upon the trust company's attorneys by producing a memorandum of every check, with names and amounts, that had passed through the Boatman's bank en route to the clearing-house Friday. This was to show the trust companies were paying out demand money on the checks of depositors.

### Shipwrecked Sailors Picked Up.

San Diego, Cal., Dec. 20.—The 4-masted British ship Ruby, Captain James, reported that last Thursday morning, when off St. Vincent Island, she picked up four sailors who had been shipwrecked.

He hove to and sent off a lifeboat to the distressed men, who were found to be five sailors and the captain of the wrecked sloop Ranger. All the men had been without shelter for seven days and were suffering greatly for food and nourishment.

### Death of a Missionary.

Baltimore, Dec. 20.—The body of Rev. David A. Dav, the distinguished missionary of the Lutheran church, who has served at Muhlenberg mission on the west coast of Africa, for nearly 25 years, and who died on the steamship Lucania last Friday, one day out from New York was brought here. Interment will be made at Selin's Grove, Pa., where services are expected to be held on Wednesday forenoon.

### Locomotive Explodes.

Repton, Ala., Dec. 20.—On the Bear Creek logging road a locomotive exploded, killing the engineer, John O'Connor; the fireman, Jack Clipper, and two trainmen, John Johnson and Henry Vickery. The explosion was caused by a defective flue.

### Settled Their Differences.

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Dec. 20.—The Brazilian and Italian governments have signed an agreement settling the incident of the killing of the Italians at Espirito Santo last month. Italy admits that there was no cause for diplomatic intervention.

### A Railroad Sold.

Vinita, I. T., Dec. 20.—The sale of the Central branch of the Atlantic and Pacific, a branch of the Frisco, took place here, E. C. Henderson bidding \$5,000,000. It was sold to him, and by him transferred at once to the Frisco.

## IMPORTANT MEETINGS.

Miners and Operators Getting Ready For Their Joint Convention.

Pittsburg, Dec. 20.—Coal operators and miners will hold separate and important conventions preliminary to the joint convention that will be held Tuesday. It is expected that the miners will frame their demand and the operators will devise plans to meet them with advantage to themselves. The joint convention promises to be interesting and to last for several days. District President Dolan of the Miners' association says a rate of 77 cents will be demanded by his men.

### Was Cottell Innocent?

Akron, O., Dec. 20.—The lawyers of Romie Cottell, the boy who was sentenced to the penitentiary for life about a year ago for killing Alvin Gurne, his wife and hired man, say the boy was wrongly convicted. They assert that a confession was extorted from the boy by detectives, who, according to experts, were irresponsible. The lawyers say they know the real murderer and have almost enough evidence to convict him. They promise to cause his arrest soon.

### The River Was Drugged.

Harrisburg, Dec. 20.—Experienced men dragged the Susquehanna river for the body of Rev. S. S. Spearrier, who, it is thought, either committed suicide or was murdered and thrown into the river on Thursday night. They found nothing whatever, owing to the murky condition of the high water. The police are still hunting for clues to establish the man's fate, but have not met with success.

### Merry in Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—Chris Merry, charged with the murder of his wife, and James Smith, alleged accomplice of Merry, arrived in Chicago from Princeton, Ky., where they were arrested. Both men were confronted by Joseph Hickey, upon whose confession they were arrested, but they stoutly denied any knowledge of Mrs. Merry's death.

Fitz Will Fight Corbett. Chicago, Dec. 20.—Fitzsimmons and Corbett are to meet again in the prize ring. The date of the battle is indefinite, but the lanky pugilist declared that he has changed his mind and will give Corbett another chance. Martin Julian, the champion's manager, confirmed the statement.

### Convicted of Manslaughter.

Columbus, O., Dec. 20.—Charles Bell, an employee of Sells Brothers' show, who killed 17-year-old Valley Driscoll in Rich Hill, Mo., last August, has been convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary, but was immediately granted a parole.

### After the Encampment.

Pittsburg, Dec. 20.—The initial step toward securing the Grand Army encampment for Pittsburg in 1900 was taken by the Allegheny county Grand Army association. The opinion prevails that this will be the last national encampment held.

### Jewelry Firm Burned Out.

St. Louis, Dec. 20.—The 5 story building occupied principally by the Mermod & Jaccard jewelry company, one of the largest firms of its kind in the world, was totally destroyed by fire. Loss about \$500,000.

### Election Contest Dropped.

Van Wert, O., Dec. 20.—The election contest intended to contest M. M. Anderson, representative-elect of Van Wert county to the general assembly, was dropped, the contestant not appearing.

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### No Pension Applicants.

Portsmouth, O., Dec. 20.—The pension examining board at its last quarterly session had no applicants, which is the first time such a thing has ever happened.

### A Woman Tortured.

Jefferson, O., Dec. 20.—Two masked men set Mrs. Margaret Barrett's hair on fire and held her fingers in the flame of matches to compel her to give up her money.

### Child Boiled to Death.

Emerson, Ind., Dec. 20.—A 4-year-old child of Albert Wittenmeyer fell into a kettle of boiling water and died four hours later.

### A Long Skeleton.

Maple Creek, Wis., Dec. 20.—The skeleton of a man over nine feet tall was dug up in a mound near here.

### Member of Parliament Dead.

London, Dec. 20.—Sir Frank Lockwood, Liberal member of parliament for York City since 1905, is dead.

### Seemed to Be on Fire.

"I suffered very much with a blood disorder. At times my skin seemed to be on fire. I saw Hood's Sarsaparilla advertised and determined to try it. I found that it purified my blood and relieved that tired feeling. I have given it to my little girl for pain in the side and it relieved her." Dell C. Umbaugh, Nankin, Ohio.

Hood's Pills are purely vegetable, reliable and beneficial. All druggists, \$1.00.



## One of the Certainties

in medicine is the certainty of counter-irritation. The best embodiment of this principle is as well as that of external application, is acknowledged to be

## Benson's Plasters

They have almost entirely superseded liniments, ointments and the various sorts of sticky and feeble external agents once so widely used. Benson's Plasters are vastly superior to these articles in curative power and are the most convenient and efficient household remedy. They can be depended on for quick relief and sure cure of Rheumatism, Backache, Sprains and all Pains and Aches. Get the Genuine. Price 25 cents. Refuse imitations.

Sanbury & Johnson, Mfg. Chemists, N.Y.

## HOOVER'S NOTION STORE,

213 South Main Street.

## FOR Xmas Goods,

Games, Toys, Dolls and Household Goods in Large Assortments.

Will sell cheap, as we are going out of business and must close out our entire stock.

## HOOVER'S Notion Store.

NO. 54.

East Side Public Square.

## FIRST-CLASS BARBER SHOP

Leads' and Children's Hair Cutting done to order. Special room for bath & hair dressing. A. G. LA 17, Proprietor

## SUPREME COURT

Renders a Decision of Interest to Oil Men.

Oil is Personal Property After it is Produced.

Ohio's supreme court has handed down a decision of special interest to oil men. The case in point is that of Kelley vs. the Ohio Oil Company, error to the circuit court of Hancock county.

Briefly it is adjudged that petroleum oil is a mineral, and while it is in the earth forms a part of the realty, when it reaches a well and is produced on the surface it is no longer realty, becoming personal property and belongs to the owner of the well.

Where oil percolates through the rock or exists in pools or deposits, the court says, it forms a part of the tract of real estate in which it tarries for the time being, and when it leaves one tract and enters another it becomes part of the realty of the latter, and thereby the owner of the former loses all right to the oil while it remains away from his land.

## AT TWO MEALS

Some Suggestions About Food to be Used Twice a Day.

Few people understand the real facts about the Cereal Coffee that is so widely used now-a-days. Some who made trial of Postum in its early existence were disappointed at the flavor of the prepared cereal and abandoned it but those who learned the secret of its preparation for the table, discovered that a most delicious beverage was the result of continuous boiling 15 or 20 minutes after boiling commences.

The food value in Postum is extraordinary and its continuous use will develop a sturdy and healthy adult or children where heretofore a condition of semi-invalidism may have existed, caused by the daily drinking of coffee.

Some are more susceptible to the effect of coffee on the heart, stomach and nerves than others.

But few exist who will not find a sturdy and steady growth towards absolute and perfect health, by the use of Postum Food Coffee and entire wheat bread or wheat or oats for at least two of the meals each day.

A test is the surest and most satisfactory method of obtaining the facts for each individual.

Those who have not been successful in making good Postum will find the new directions on package, will insure perfect work in preparation

## DEFINITE

Must Be the Addresses.

All Newspapers and Periodicals Containing

Missing Letter Puzzles and Other Contests Under a Ban.

Letters with indefinite or alternative addresses received by a postmaster hereafter will not be delivered. This is the order from the third assistant postmaster general, who calls attention to the increase of mail matter to "The Leading Grocer" or "A Prominent Attorney," etc. Such addresses are not permitted on second, third or fourth class mail matter and will be ignored by the department.

The attention of the postoffice department has of late been called to another large swindling method which has been used extensively in certain magazines and newspapers. It is the missing letter puzzle and others of like nature. Many persons have been defrauded out of small amounts of money and the complaint has been general.

The attorney general rendered an opinion on the question and placed papers or periodicals having such advertisements in them under the ban of the lottery law. The attorney cited several cases of this sort of prize contests. One was that which offered a cash prize to the person who first sent in a correct answer to the question, "Where does the word horseback appear in the Bible?" Another was to find a missing letter, and the person first sending an answer would receive a valuable diamond pin. The contestants were required to send a small amount of money for subscription to the magazine or paper. In most cases the answers could be easily given, and the attorney general says that while the intention of the publisher may be entirely honest, the contests could not be classed other than under the lottery law. His ruling is not intended to act as a censorship or to discourage legitimate enterprises, but as a protection to those people who enter the contest with the expectation of receiving a valuable prize.

## GRAND OFFICERS

Being Voted on by the I. O. O. F. State Lodges.

Eight Candidates for the Office of Grand Warden.

For the past month the different I. O. O. F. lodges over the state have been voting for the selection of general officer to represent the different lodges of the state.

Out of 730 lodges returns have been received from 641 and show the following results:

Grand master, R. P. Miller, Mt. Gil-ead, 7,391 votes; deputy grand master, Ivor Hughes, Columbus, 7,227 votes. For grand warden there are eight candidates who have received the following votes respectively: E. L. Haskins, Sidney, 2,580; J. L. Loun, Van Wert, 1,673; C. C. Hamilton, Washington, C. H., 916; E. L. Price, Marysville, 649; J. M. Beaver, Postora, 495; G. W. Carey, Lebanon, 460; J. T. McCalland, Kings Mills, 341; L. S. Ensign, Canton, 289. General secretary, C. H. Layman, Pomeroy, 7,324 votes; grand treasurer, C. E. Niles, Findlay, 7,406 votes; grand representative, A. C. Cable, Covington, 7,368 votes.

## MUSICIANS

Will Assist at the Benefit Concert Tendered

Miss Mary Klatt at Faurot Opera House To-Morrow Eve

It is gratifying to see the interest shown by the Lima public in the coming testimonial concert to Miss Mary Klatt, one of the worthy and gifted daughters of our city. She possesses a beautiful soprano voice, which she hopes to be able to give the highest cultivation. The Auditorium School of Music, Cincinnati, where she is now a student, encourages her by sending some of the best talent from the corps of professors to assist her in this concert on the evening of Tuesday, December 21. We hope the people of Lima will turn out en masse to encourage this worthy young lady.

The following press notices speak of the success these artists have attained, and we hope the people of Lima will turn out en masse to encourage not only the young lady, but show their appreciation of such talent:

Mr. Tirindelli played the Bazzini Concerto and the two older selections from Tartini and Vercini in excellent style and with great beauty of expression. His rendering of the Bazzini

piece was well calculated to surprise American listeners, who have heard it often enough from Italian players. Mr. Tirindelli plays it thoroughly a *C. Bazzini*, with that impetuous rushing at a phrase and passionate grading on the tempo, which is so different from our squeezing the emotional juice out of a phrase by long dwelling up on it. *W. F. Appleton in Boston Transcript*

Tirindelli played with all that sentiment of which he is capable. *Cincinnati Commercial Tribune*

The soloist was Miss Blanche Gould Ebbert. The first movement of the Emperor Concerto as played by Miss Ebbert, revealed a mastery of the instrument. *Cincinnati Commercial Tribune*

The features of the programme were the three piano solos given by Miss Blanche Gould Ebbert, of Cincinnati. Her work was a complete surprise to most of the musicians of the convention. *National Music Teachers' Convention—Denver Times*

"Be Thou Faithful Unto Death, and I will Give Thee a Crown of Life," as sung by W. C. Earnest, soared as clear as a bell and as sweet as an angel's voice over the heads of the throng. *Leeds-gton News*

Mr. W. C. Earnest's solos were a genuine surprise for artistic merit. *Cincinnati Merit*

## SUMMONS

Of the Grim Reaper Responded to by Edwin Phinney.

Aged Four Score and One—Funeral To-morrow.

Edwin Phinney, an aged and well known resident, died at his home just beyond the corporation limits on east High street, at 9 o'clock yesterday morning, death resulting from heart trouble, from which he had suffered an illness of two weeks' duration.

The deceased was born in Dover, Ohio, May 22nd, 1816, and therefore reached the age of 81 years, 6 months and 27 days. He was married 56 years ago and his wife survives him. He also leaves three sons—Everett B. and Frank Phinney, of this city, and Edward Phinney, of Indianapolis, and one daughter, Mrs. Inez Walker, of this city.

The funeral service will be conducted from the late residence of the deceased at 9:30 o'clock to-morrow morning. Rev. R. J. Thomson, of the Market Street Presbyterian Church, will conduct the service, and the remains will be interred in Woodlawn cemetery.

## LIKE THE CAT.

Rafter Escaped Saturday Morning and Came Back

And Was Re-arrested Saturday Night—Police News.

Joseph Rafter, the old soldier who regularly celebrated pension day and never fails to pay his respects to mayor Baxter on such occasions, was a prisoner again this morning. He was sent to the city workhouse and, in accordance with the mayor's orders, the place was left unlocked for the purpose of allowing him to escape. He escaped before noon, but soon again indulged in strong liquor and was re-arrested. This morning he left his pension papers in sergeant Watty's keeping and left the city, promising to not be back before next pension day.

The marshal of Cridersville appeared at the police station this morning and took charge of the clothing that was recently stolen from Stepleton's store at Cridersville and found in the Ad-gate school house.

A man giving his name as Jack O'Connell, who was locked up Saturday night for drunkenness, was released this morning.

The Northern Ohio Railway Company Notice.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Northern Ohio Railway Company, for the election of directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting, will be held at the office of Wheeler & Bruce, Lima, Ohio, Monday, January 10, 1898.

Transfer books will be closed December 21, 1897, at 3 o'clock p. m., and be reopened January 11, 1898, at 9 o'clock a. m.

W. E. HACKBORN, Secretary.

Lima, Ohio, Dec. 9, 1897.

## For Kidney Troubles

there is nothing better than Foley's Kidney Cure. Everyone who tries it will agree to this. H. F. Vorkamp, n. e. corner Main and North sts

Household Good and Pianos

Moved in the most careful manner. Storage of all kinds solicited by City Storage House. Call new phone.

131 E. STICKNEY, Proprietor.

## Buried Mr. Profit.

Read Macdonald & Co's ad in another part of this paper.

## MIRACULOUS

Escape of Mrs. Frank Edgecomb from Serious Injury.

Buggy Torn to Pieces, but the Occupant Escaped.

About 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon an exciting collision of two vehicles occurred at North and Pine streets, and those who witnessed the accident state that the escape of one of the victims from death or serious injury was miraculous.

Mrs. Frank Edgecomb, who lives in the country east of the city, was driving eastward on North street with a horse and buggy and was moving along at a good rate of speed when a heavy hay wagon belonging to a man named Miller, with two horses attached, suddenly rounded the corner at the intersection of Pine street, and a collision of the two vehicles occurred before the speed of either could be slackened. The buggy occupied by Mrs. Edgecomb was literally torn to pieces and she was thrown into the street and beneath the feet of the animal she was driving. Fortunately the horse was a gentle one and stopped and Mrs. Edgecomb, though stunned at the time, escaped without serious injury.

She was assisted to Stump's grocery and remained there until a vehicle was provided to take her to her home.

## PATHETIC

Scene Enacted By Rev. Wallace's Blind Proteges.

As the Lord's Prayer was Being Recited by Phonograph.

The following from the Columbus Press will be of interest to the many friends of Rev. R. Wallace, of this city, now superintendent of the Ohio Institution for the Education of the Blind, at Columbus:

"A touching bit of pathos occurred at the school for blind a few evenings ago. The pupils were being treated to a graphophone entertainment, and as is the custom, the youngest pupils were seated together on the front rows of the seats. Great enthusiasm was displayed as the spirited and inspiring notes of Sousa's great marches filled the room. There was the usual programme of songs, speeches, band and orchestra music, the somewhat hollow and throaty tones of the machine adding a weirdness to the numbers. Suddenly the operator reset the cylinder with a prayer by some eminent divine. As the first tones of the deep voice issued from the funnel and the little sightless ones caught the familiar 'Our Father, etc.' instantly every little head went down and some of the younger ones dropped on their knees. There were many eyes that filled with tears among the teachers and attendants who witnessed this touching bit of reverence with the underlying pathos of blindness, and it was a picture not soon to be forgotten."

## Pay Your Water Bills

For the first half of 1898 and save the discount of 10 per cent.

## Barber Shops Will Close Christmas.

All union barber shops will be open Friday night, December 24th, until 12 o'clock and will close at noon on Christmas day.

S. J. LOBER, President.

H. C. LUTZ, Secretary.

There is no use waiting a life time for shade trees to grow, when by the use of the Rutherford patent wagon we can transplant trees from five to fifteen inches in diameter and from ten to thirty years old, with no disturbance whatever to their growth. We have bought this wagon and the right to Allen county and are prepared to take contracts and execute work promptly.

VANNATTA & CO.,

957 W. North St., Lima, O.

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## I Will Receive Bids

On the Hitchcock property at the corner of Spring and McDonel streets, up to and on Dec. 31st, 1897. No bid less than \$3,200 accepted. For terms for payment call at my office, over Blum's.

4-6t KENT W. HUGHES, Admr.

DON'T put off getting a kodak until too late. See them now at Melville's.

## E. C. Finley

Will give a reception for classes A and B at the armory, Thursday evening. The features of the evening will be prize waiters. First prize will be for the most graceful couple participating and the second prize will be awarded the most graceful dancer in class B. Music by orchestra. Admission to floor, 50c per couple; balcony, 25c per couple.

Basinger & Cameron, for Silver Novelties. 5t3

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Husband—"Well, Maria, why

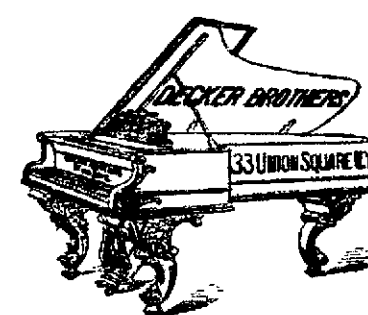
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furnace? He does all that kind

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## LOW PRICES ON Musical Merchandise

Mandolins for \$3.75 to \$50. Guitars from \$5.50 to \$50.

Violins, Books, Sheet Music, Cases for all small instruments. The lowest prices on Pianos, Organs and Musical Merchandise you will find at BEELER & VANGUNTEN'S, North of Court House.

## Slaughter Sale!

Who? Where? What? When? Who? The Hub.

Where? 135 N. Main St. What? Boots and Shoes. When? This Week.

Will be sold at deep cut prices.

Forced to Make Room.

We must consolidate our stores January 1st. Stop and see the prices on our street racks as you pass by. They are loaded down with shoes of all kinds, sizes 2½ and 3, from 50c. to \$1 while they last.



## SHOE STORE.

BEST

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AND

SOFT

COAL!

—AT—

HARRY RUMPLE'S.

New Phone 384, Bell 371. Bicycle

Department will be open all winter.

I have NEW STREET SCALES.

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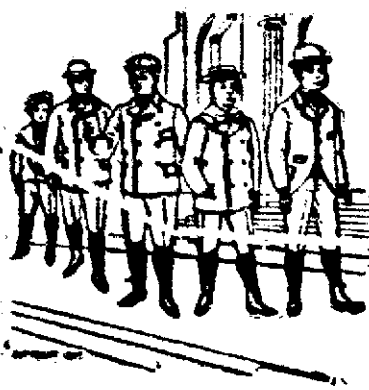
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Could make a boy happier  
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It would make a better boy  
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Special Holiday Price Only

## 50 CENTS A PAIR AT GOODING'S,

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#### THE LAST WEEK

Don't put off buying your Holiday presents any longer. If you have not found what you want anywhere else come to our store and you will find in spite of the rush and crush of holiday time, we have still a very complete assortment of beautiful and low priced articles suitable for Christmas presents.

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### REINDEERS

Will Relieve Starving Miners.

Special to Times-Democrat.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Secretary Alger sent a cablegram this morning to Wm. A. J. Jellman, assistant superintendent of the Alaskan Reindeer Company, now at Alton, Norway, asking how soon he can send 600 trained reindeers with the necessary drivers.

### FOUR OF A KIND

By a Mother Weighing 690.

Special to Times-Democrat.

KNOXVILLE TENN., December 20.—Mahala Mullins, a famous moonshiner woman, of Hancock county, gave birth to four boys. All are alive. The mother weighs 690 pounds.

There's no question about it. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the best blood purifier. This is proven by its wonderful cures of blood diseases.

Fancy Plates, of all prices and sizes, for Xmas, at Hauenstein & Co's. 6 2t

### Concerning Your Laundry.

We, the undersigned, respectfully request that our patrons have their work done in the early part of week if possible, as we will not run on Saturday, Christmas.

NIAGARA LAUNDRY.  
NEW METHOD LAUNDRY.

### Holiday Rates via C. & E. Railroad.

On account of the above, the Chicago & Erie Railroad Co. will sell excursion tickets to most points west of Buffalo at a fare and a third for the round trip. Tickets on sale December 24th, 25th, 31st, and January 1st, good returning until January 4th, inclusive. For points of sale, time of trains, etc., apply to F. C. McCoy, Agent.

Lee Seinsheimer, the owner of Seinsheimer's addition of Clifton, will be at C. H. Folsom's office to-morrow (Tuesday) during the day and evening.

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Dinner and Chamber Sets at Hauenstein & Co's. 6 2t

PURSES—Having bought the complete line of samples of a manufacturer we can make you prices and show you an assortment not seen elsewhere in Lima. MELVILLE. 1t

New and regulative prices for bowling at the Burnet alleys: 5c a man for cock hat; 10c a man for 10 pins. Special rates to clubs. m-t-w

Glassware Novelties and Fancy Goods at Hauenstein & Co's. 6 2t

### Special Sale

Of Palms at Swan's, 209 west Market street, Wednesday only, Dec. 22. 6-2t

### BIG GAS COMPANY.

With Capital of \$5,000,000.

Special to Times-Democrat.

Pittsburg, Dec. 20.—All the gas companies of Pittsburg and Allegheny consolidated to-day. The new company will have a capital of five million dollars, and will build a new plant at Pittsburg to cost eight hundred thousand dollars.

Finn Bros., the north Main street grocers, last week up to 11 p. m. Saturday, sold 54 boxes of Lenox Soap. 1t

MELVILLE has a lot of atomizers which he is selling at prices which are away below ordinary. Ask to see them. 1t

Biggest assortment of fancy Cups and Saucers at Hauenstein & Co's. 6 2t

### WANTED.

WANTED—Girl for general housework. Enquire at once of Mrs. Wilson Turpin, west Market street.

WANTED—Two nice unfurnished rooms for couple with one child, near Catholic church, by January 1st. Address W. A. this office.

WANTED—Furniture, stoves, men's clothing, watches and jewelry. Bargains in second-hand goods at 121 E. Market street. D-2-1m ATKINSON & HOFFMAN.

WANTED—Men in or near Lima to act as private detectives under instructions. Experience unnecessary. Address Universal Detective Agency, Indianapolis, Ind. Nov. 17 2m.

WANTED, CLOTHING—Highest price paid for all kinds of gents' second-hand clothing. Money loaned on personal property—watches, bicycles, and all kinds of musical instruments. Bargains in second-hand goods. 111 E. Wayne street, Lawlor block. 9-1-1y



### Christmas .... Rings.

Christmas Watches, Christmas Novelties, Christmas everything in the line of Jewelry. Just the stock to feast your eyes on and from which to pick out the something that will make a pleasing gift. And the cost will not prevent anyone buying. Such little prices for such big values were never before seen or heard of. Santa Claus can afford to be liberal this year.

Adolph Fox,  
224 N. Main St.

—AT—  
Van De Grift's  
PHOTOGRAPH  
GALLERY

You can get the latest style mountings and the best work.

Photographs are always an acceptable Christmas present to your friends. 56 1/2 Public Square.

### CARROLL & COONEY.

## Quo Vadis for 69 cents!

We have sold over 60 of Sienkiewicz' greatest work and the book of the year, having duplicated our first order twice. You can get it of us now, as long as the supply lasts, for 69c. It is the only authorized edition, with lithograph of the author, his autograph letter and handsome illustrations. We also have all the standard and popular publications at correspondingly low prices, including Marie Corelli's latest work, Barabbas for 89c. and the greatest book of the year, "Quo Vadis" for only 69c.

## Trade Where You Can Get the Best Values.

We are willing, yes anxious to submit our goods to such a test. You will find our stock of Cloaks complete in every detail. Such beautiful designs were never before sent out from any cloak house. The styles this year are exceptionally pretty and if you want to make wife, daughter or sister happy, come in and see our Cloak Department.

## Why not make your wife happy?

Some men don't care whether their wives look well or not, in fact nothing that pertains to the welfare and happiness of the gentler sex ever concerns them. We don't want to talk to them; we have no use for people who have no use for anybody but themselves. To the husband who knows the real value of a good wife, to the men who like to see their wives as well dressed as other women, we wish to say: "Come in and see our beautiful line of Dress Goods." There is no store in Lima where the assortment of Black and Colored Dress Fabrics is as large as here. No other store here can give you as good value. Our leadership in Silk Dress Goods is seldom questioned; never by anyone who has thoroughly looked over the market. More Table Linens here than in any two other stores in Lima put together. Kid Gloves, Handkerchiefs, and a thousand and one other sensible, serviceable articles suitable for Christmas giving.

## Holiday Ideas.

In making your Christmas selections buy something that will prove of service, of some advantage to the recipient. Don't throw your money away on worthless toys, which will be glanced at and then forgotten. Articles of adornment, those which add either to the personal appearance or comfort always gladden the receiver, and because of their lasting qualities are a constant reminder of the giver. If you are in doubt about what to buy, come in and look over our stock. It bristles with a thousand suggestions. Our sales people are employed to show our goods, they take pleasure in doing it and in a short examination of our large stock, which includes all that is new, seasonable and fashionable, you are sure to see something that will strike the proper cord. Allow us to suggest a few of the many things to be found in our store, every one of which we guarantee to show you in a larger variety, of better quality and at lower prices than elsewhere: Cloaks, Fine Linens, Kid Gloves, Blankets, Underwear, Beautiful Dress Goods, Rugs, Carpets Sweepers, Draperies, Perfumes.

We hope you will investigate what we have said and will be in to see us to-morrow.

We are offering our large stock of Dolls at reduced prices to close them out.

## Grand Benefit Concert!

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### Miss Mary Klatte,

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SEATS ON SALE AT MELVILLE'S TO-DAY.

## CARROLL & COONEY.



# FELTZ BROS. & CO.

## Our Wonderful Holiday Sales Have Broken All Records!

"The superb stocks which we offer during the holiday season of '97"—"our recognized **LOWEST PRICES**," and the "**ABSOLUTE CONFIDENCE**" which the entire public places in this store, have assisted in making our sales much greater in dollars, in yardage and in articles than we have ever before shown. These sales, as large and as satisfactory as they are, must be surpassed during the coming week.

### But Four Shopping Days Before Christmas.

Our Stocks are still full and complete—new merchandise being added daily—and our prices are absolutely the lowest—we watch this point with most careful attention.

#### Holiday Dress Goods

No gift will be more appreciated than a nice Dress Pattern of either Black or Colored Dress Goods.

A choice line of all wool Black Dress Goods in plain Serge, silk finish Henriettes and figured Mohairs, from 50 cents per yard to \$1.25 per yard.

A Dress Pattern from our stock of Colored Novelties, ranging in price from 25 cents per yard to 50 cents per yard, would make an appropriate present.

We also have some special good values in Colored Serges and Henriettes to show you at 25 cents and 50 cents per yard.

#### Umbrellas.

This is another of our busy Holiday Departments. Thousands of Umbrellas are sold for useful, practical Christmas presents. We have just received a large lot especially adapted for useful gifts. Styles, qualities and prices to suit almost anybody.

#### GREAT HOLIDAY

##### KERCHIEF SALE.

Easily accounted for by our great variety and desirable quality of our stock; by the very low, attractive prices.

Ladies' Kerchiefs at 5, 8, 10, 12½, 15, 18, 20 and 25 cents each.

Gents' Kerchiefs at 5, 8, 10, 12½, 15, 20 and 25 cents each.

Children's Kerchiefs at 1, 3, 5, 8 and 10 cents each.

Muffs in an endless variety.

##### HOUSEHOLD LINENS.

In these days of gift buying, the ornamental, the useful, the fragile and the substantial, all play their part. Household Linens make the most substantial presents, and the most acceptable to the household.

Special values in Table Linens at 25, 30, 35, 40, 50, 60 and 75 cents a yard.

Bleached Linens with Napkins to match would please any housewife. Our qualities are right, our prices are right.

We have just opened up a large variety of fine Towels, ranging in price from 25 cents to 50 cents each, which are bargains.

A few suggestions may help you out of trouble just now.

#### What to Buy for a Lady.

DRESS PATTERN.  
FABRIQUENES.  
TOWELS.  
BED SPREADS.  
HOSIERY.  
SHIRTS.  
POCKET BOOK.

UMBRELLA.  
NAPKINS.  
BLANKETS.  
CORSETS.  
KID GLOVES.  
CHINAWARE.  
HANDKERCHIEFS.

#### Suitable Gifts for Men.

UMBRELLAS.  
WHITE SHIRTS.  
HANDKERCHIEFS.  
MITTENS.  
MUSLIN NIGHT SHIRTS.  
MUFFLERS.

HOSIERY.  
COLLARS and CUFFS.  
GLOVES.  
Tennis Flannel NIGHT SHIRTS.  
UNDERWEAR.

#### Toys and Dolls.

We lead the march. You can't stop us when it comes to prices on Toys.

China Dolls at 5 and 10 cents.

Dolls with Kid Body, Bisque Heads and Flowing Hair, at 25, 50, 75, 100, 125, 150, 200, 250, 300, 400, 500, 600, 750, 1000 and 1500.

Unbreakable Dolls at 50, 75, 100, 125, 150, 200, 250, 300, 400, 500, 600, 750, 1000 and 1500.

Rocking Horses at 50, 75c and \$1.50.

Doll Cradles at 25 and 40c.

Furniture at 5, 10, 25, 50c and \$1.

Toy Dishes at 5, 10, 25, 50 and 95c.

Building Blocks at 5, 10, 15, 25 and 40c.

Games at 5, 10, 15, 25, 50, 100 and \$1.00.

Toy Horses at 5, 10, 25, 40, 60 and 95c.

Toy Kitchens at 10, 15 and 25c.

Table Croquet Sets at 50c.

Black Boards at 25, 35, 50 and 75c.

Tool Chests at 25 and 50c.

Baby Buggies at 40, 60, 75c, \$1.25 and \$1.50 each.

Iron Trains at 10, 25, 50 and 100c each.

Iron Wagons at 25 and 50c.

Musical Toys at 10, 15, 20 and 25c each.

Accordeons at 25c each.

Trumpets at 5, 10 and 25c each.

Mouth Harps at 5 and 10c.

Zithers, large size, at 10c.

Phonographs at 95c.

Children's Christmas Tree Ornaments in an endless variety, from 10c a dozen up to \$1.50 per dozen.

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**Good Warm Cape or Box Mackintosh**

**Something guaranteed to keep you dry, is a very acceptable Xmas Gift.**

**THE UP-TO-DATE MACKINTOSH**

**WE SELL MACKINTOSHES AT**

**\$3.37, \$5.00, \$6.50, \$8.50, \$10.00 and \$12.00.**

Swell Xmas Gents' Furnishings and up-to-date Hats at your disposal. Shirts of all makes and descriptions, white or fancy, laundered or unlaundered, 50c, 75c, \$1.00.

Holiday Neckwear, Silk and Cassimere Mufflers, Silk Umbrellas, Canes, Suspenders, Silk or Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, good warm Underwear, Faultless Flannel or Muslin Night Robes, Jewelry, Trunks or Valises, all handsome, useful and acceptable presents for your friends.

Smoking Jackets, green, blue, and garnet, \$5.00 and \$6.00.

We have just what you want, let us help you to select your presents, let us help you make your shopping easy, and let us help you to save money for you.

**LOEWENSTEIN BROS.,**  
CLOTHIERS AND FURNISHERS.  
28 and 30 Union Block. Public Square.

#### HAZARDOUS

Are the Duties of Brakemen and Switchmen.

Cars and Yards Covered With Ice—Railroad News.

The slippery condition of the roofs of cars in this part of the country during the past few days has made the duties of conductors, brakemen and switchmen in freight service doubly hazardous, it being difficult even to retain a footing on terra firma, while on top of moving box cars the duties that trainmen are required to perform are extremely perilous. Brakeman C. H. Davis, of the L. E. & W., slipped off of the side of a car at Muncie, Saturday, and though he fortunately landed on his feet and escaped injury, he ran half way across a field before he could stop without falling. Very fortunately the extensive air brake equipment that most roads now have relieves brakemen of much perilous duty on top of trains while they are in rapid motion.

#### NOTES.

Hank Aubry, of the C. H. & D. freight office, spent Sunday at Columbus Grove.

Yard clerk K. Clark, of the C. & E., is on the sick list. Night clerk Killen is in charge of the day trip.

C. J. Sweeney has left the service of the L. E. & W., and has accepted a position as yard clerk at C. & E. yards.

Northern Ohio engine 34 has been run out of the L. E. & W. machine shops, where it received a general overhauling.

Passenger engine 24, of the L. E. & W., is in the round house for repairs, and engineer McMonies is running engine 18 on the passenger.

Foreman Fred Kenevin, of the L. E. & W. yards, is not only a first-class railroad man but he is quite a success as an enterprising story teller. His reminiscences of school days are very amusing.

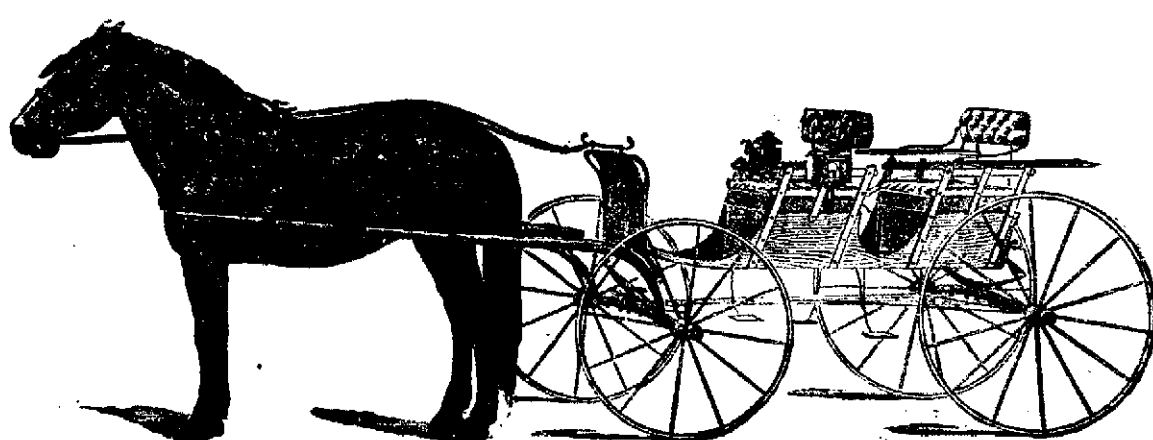
Agent O. H. O'Dell, of the C. H. & D., during the quail season succeeded in killing nearly 150 birds. Mr. O'Dell is one of the best marksmen in the employ of the C. H. & D. and takes great pleasure in hunting any kind of game.

#### Better Dead Than Alive

is the Mr. Profit on large fancy prices. See Macdonald & Co.'s ad elsewhere in this issue.

#### HOOVER BROS.' Great Removal Sale

OF



#### FURNITURE!

Carpets, Draperies, Mantels, Stoves, Dishes, Lamps, Baby Cabs, Bicycles, Refrigerators, etc. The most desirable place to get your Xmas presents. With every 50 cents paid in our store you get a ticket on the Pony and Surrey, to be given away on January 1st, 1898, at 3 p. m.

The above is a cut of the Pony and Surrey to be given away.

#### TRAVELERS.

Who They Are and Whither They Are Bound.

Limaites Abroad and Strangers Who Are in Lima.

J. W. Reed, of Wapakoneta, spent Sunday with C. H. Hillary.

Mrs. Kemmer, of Ottawa, spent Sunday with friends in the city.

Chas. Gustweiler and Jerry Brand, of Bluffton, are in the city today.

Miss Mollie Fellabaum who has been visiting in this city for some

time, has returned to her home in Findlay.

John O'Connor and son, John S. O'Connor, went to Cincinnati this afternoon.

Fred Baughens, the Pennsylvania ticket agent, left for Chicago, this afternoon on business.

Mrs. W. S. Colterman, of Tecumseh, Mich., is the guest of Mrs. Alice Lance, of North Main street.

Mrs. G. M. McCullough returned home Saturday evening from Sidney after a pleasant visit with Mrs. A. Wilson.

Dr. McIndoe will leave this evening for Rhinelander, Wisconsin, to spend the holidays with his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Welsh, of New York, who have been the guests of engineer and Mrs. Barney Montague,

of south West street, for the past two weeks, left for Detroit yesterday.

Mrs. Walter M. Fitzgerald left yesterday afternoon for Knoxville, Tenn., with her little infant nephew, Joseph Sabas Sullivan, who was deprived of his mother by death on December 10th. The babe will be cared for by relatives in Knoxville.

Xmas Tree Ornaments and Candles at Hauenstein & Co's.

Cigars in boxes, Pocket Books and Perfumery, for the holidays at Hoover's drug store, cor. east Market street and public square.

Foot Balls, Punching Bags and Boxing Gloves at Hauenstein & Co's.

Toys and Dolls, and Doll Furniture at Hauenstein & Co's.



were exchanged.

Chas. H. Kuhlman

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**An Eye to the Future.** "Edward," said Mrs. Hampack of Chicago to her husband, "you must begin to save money and not be so extravagant." "Why?" "Well, if you don't, you won't be able to pay alimony when I procure divorce."—Up to Date.

**Economy of Space.** "My dear, why do we use condensed milk in our coffee?" "You forget we are living in a flat."—Brooklyn Life.

**At Work Again.** A few applications of Salvation Oil will readily cure sprains and bruises, and head cuts, burns and scalds. It is undoubtedly the best pain-cure on the market, and should be ready for use, in every home in the land. Mr. Frank Stuenkel, 1337 Elm St., Dubuque, Iowa, states: "I used Salvation Oil on a sprained elbow, which threatened to prevent me from working, and after several thorough rubbings, I awoke the very next morning much relieved and able to go to work. Had I not used Salvation Oil I certainly would have lost a week's work, which would have amounted to many times the cost of a bottle of Oil. Everybody should keep Salvation Oil in the house." It is sold everywhere for only 25 cents.

**A Good Excuse.** "Come up tonight," wrote an Atchison girl to a young man this morning. "I am going to have an evening." "I should like to come," he wrote back, "but unfortunately I have just had a night."—Atchison Globe.

**CASTORIA** For Infants and Children. "Serpent," she cried, "I'll soothe thee!" The villain trembled. "Mercy!" he implored, as she drew a book of dialect selections from her bosom and turned the leaves rapidly. —Detroit Journal.

**CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS** SICK HEADACHE. They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue, Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They Regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable. Small Pill. Small Dose. Small Price.

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## WARNING TO WORKMEN

Railroad Men Should Stay Away From China.

ONLY INVITE STARVATION.

Total Mileage in the Hermit Kingdom is Less Than Three Hundred and Salaries Would Not Suit the Average American.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The first report to the state department from United States Consul General Goodnow at Shanghai contains a warning to American railroad men not to go to China for employment.

He says the American only invites starvation who goes there without a definite contract of employment with some reputable firm made before he leaves America.

There are only two railways in operation in China, with a total mileage of 293 1/2 miles. They employ only 27 foreigners, of whom four are engineers and the rest managers and division superintendents.

The highest salaries natives are the telegraph operators at \$40 per month. Engineers get \$20 to \$30, and train hands and trackmen \$6 to \$10 per month. All this is in Mexican silver, worth 44 cents gold on the dollar.

### NO ACTION DESIRED.

Senator Chandler Gives the Republicans Some Fatherly Advice.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Senator Chandler of New Hampshire has written a letter in which he says:

If the secretary of the treasury and his single gold standard associates will cease their demand for impossible currency legislation, congress will pass the necessary appropriation bills, properly take care of Hawaii and Cuba, there will not be a serious party division during the session, and there will be an adjournment in May.

Business will revive, the treasury receipts will equal the expenditures, the balance of trade will continue in our favor, and the Republican party will, in November, 1898, elect a majority of the house in the thirty-first congress.

On the other hand, if Secretary Gage continues to press upon congress a bill, the object of which, he says, is, "first, to commit the country more thoroughly to the gold standard, and the immediate effect of which is to thrust the question of the president's declaration in favor of continued efforts to secure bimetalism, a political turmoil will arise in congress which will split the now united Republicans into fragments, while it will unite and consolidate the now inconspicuous opposition."

It is not feasible to retire the greenbacks; there is more probability that a bill will be sent to the president to increase their amount. It is not possible to secure the passage through either house of a bill making the greenbacks payable in gold, or authorizing bonds payable in gold.

The effort to do either thing will probably result in the passage of a bill for the redemption of the greenbacks in silver dollars, and for the payment of all United States bonds in gold or silver coin, in the discretion of the president, who will be commanded to execute the law, and not for the advantage of the government, and not for the advantage of the creditor.

With such an uproar in congress as these proceedings will create, with western congressmen embittered thereby, with presidential vetoes, as threatened by Secretary Gage, under angry discussion, with the fact that all business enterprises and funds and stocks will be disturbed, prices will fall, insolvencies will increase, and the Republicans will lose the congressional elections in 1898 as disastrously as they did in 1896, and beyond the hope of a favorable reaction in 1899, at which time, therefore, a fierce Democratic protest and congress will be closed.

Whether we are to have one of these results, political safety or the other political destruction, depends entirely upon the course to be pursued by Secretary Gage and those who are pressing him forward, namely, the old Standard League of New York and the self-constituted national monetary conference. How much Secretary Gage cares for the Republican party is not known.

Whether President McKinley, whose good faith toward bimetalism has been the test, will stop his secretary in his insane career, is not known. It is to be hoped he will. But no political situation has been clearer than the present to sound eyes since the Republican party began its march toward ruin, 42 years ago. There are times for all things. There is a time to move and a time to keep still, and now is the time to stop.

It is simply political suicide for the Republican party in this congress to affirmatively open the discussion of the money question, and to bring on yet another election upon currency legislation. We ought to await the progress of international bimetallism, the advent of business prosperity and the filling of the treasury by the normal workings soon to be seen of the new tariff law. Shall we wait for these things, or rush on to self-destruction? President McKinley must decide. Will he wait for his people or for his politicians? Upon his answer will depend the events of 1898.

### INSURGENTS SHOT.

So Say Official Spanish Reports Received in Washington.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The following cable advices were received at the Spanish legation:

Havana, Dec. 19.—Absolutely trustworthy reports permit me to affirm that Ruiz was shot with Aranguren Friday, by order of Alexander Rodriguez. After several letters exchanged between Ruiz and Aranguren, Ruiz left Havana on Monday to meet Aranguren, and upon official mission, and only as a friend. It is not known how Rodriguez arrived, but the fact is that that leader ordered the shooting of both.

The ferocity of such act and proceeding indicates better than anything else the faith in autonomy, the insurgents being obliged to resort to terror to prevent the disbanding of their bands. Such is the general opinion and public opinion unanimously qualifies such act as savage and unworthy.

### MADE A CLEAR DENIAL.

Washington, Dec. 20.—F. M. Gideon, the clerk of the general land office who was referred to by Thomas Reddington in the testimony before the senate Pacific railroad committee as having changed the land office records so as to throw 5,000,000 acres of government land to the Northern Pacific road, has made a clear denial of the charge.

## DALTON WANTS OUT.

Ask the Judge to Let His Influence Be His Shield.

Kansas City, Dec. 20.—In a letter to Judge J. D. McCall, who sentenced him, Emmett Dalton, undergoing a life sentence in the Kansas penitentiary for his part in the bank raid at Coffeyville, Kan., five years ago, the convict asks that the judge's influence to secure his pardon be used. In the raid four desperadoes and four citizens were killed and a number were injured. Emmett Dalton was severely wounded and captured while attempting to assist his brother Bob, who was fatally wounded, to escape.

### WITHSTOOD THE STORM.

San Francisco, Dec. 20.—The United States gunboat Marietta has arrived here after a stormy passage from the north. Many of her staterooms were flooded and her rails bent and twisted from the force of the waves that had swept over her. So bad was the storm at one stage that it became necessary to put out a sea anchor, in spite of which she drifted over 240 miles.

### GIVEN A SUSTAINABLE FUNERAL.

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 20.—Lewis George Clark, colored, distinguished as being the original of the character George Harris in Mrs. Stowe's "Uncle Tom's Cabin," was given a notable funeral here. His body lay in state for five hours and was viewed by hundreds. It will be buried beside his wife's grave at Oberlin, O.

### ARRANGEMENTS CHANGED.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—A meeting of the Press club of Chicago was held to arrange for attending the funeral of Washington Hesing, who was the club's president. Resolutions eulogistic of the deceased and expressive of regret were adopted and committees appointed to assist in the funeral arrangements.

### AT THE POINT OF DEATH.

New York, Dec. 20.—Charles Byrne, president of the Brooklyn Baseball club, is lying at his home in this city in a very critical condition, and while the attending physicians say there is no immediate danger of death, they have little hope of Mr. Byrne's recovery.

### RAT POISON IN COFFEE.

Elk City, Kan., Dec. 20.—John Straus is dead, his two sons are dying and Mr. Reed and his daughter are critically ill from drinking coffee into which rat poison had dropped accidentally. The unfortunate were participants in a social at the Straus home.

### MUST OBEY THE LAW.

Marshfield, Mo., Dec. 20.—Judge Springer of the territorial supreme court has announced from the bench that any officers of the Indian tribal courts attempting to exercise official functions after Jan. 1 will be arrested.

### THE DEADLY OIL STOVE.

New York, Dec. 20.—While Mrs. Margaret Spencer was cooking with an oil stove her pet dog upset the stove. An explosion followed. The woman was so badly burned that she died.

### MURDER IN CINCINNATI.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 20.—Tilton Steele, 20, was murdered, and Ralph McGaugh, George Burton and Peter Bauman were arrested on suspicion.

### MARKET REPORTS.

Grain and Stock Quotations For Dec. 13.

New York.  
Beef—Family, \$5.25; extra, \$5.50; \$5.75; \$5.90; \$6.00; \$6.10; \$6.20; \$6.30; \$6.40; \$6.50; \$6.60; \$6.70; \$6.80; \$6.90; \$7.00; \$7.10; \$7.20; \$7.30; \$7.40; \$7.50; \$7.60; \$7.70; \$7.80; \$7.90; \$8.00; \$8.10; \$8.20; \$8.30; \$8.40; \$8.50; \$8.60; \$8.70; \$8.80; \$8.90; \$9.00; \$9.10; \$9.20; \$9.30; \$9.40; \$9.50; \$9.60; \$9.70; \$9.80; \$9.90; \$10.00; \$10.10; \$10.20; \$10.30; \$10.40; \$10.50; \$10.60; \$10.70; \$10.80; \$10.90; \$11.00; \$11.10; \$11.20; \$11.30; \$11.40; \$11.50; \$11.60; \$11.70; \$11.80; \$11.90; \$12.00; \$12.10; \$12.20; \$12.30; \$12.40; \$12.50; \$12.60; \$12.70; \$12.80; \$12.90; \$13.00; \$13.10; \$13.20; \$13.30; \$13.40; \$13.50; \$13.60; \$13.70; \$13.80; \$13.90; \$14.00; \$14.10; \$14.20; \$14.30; \$14.40; \$14.50; \$14.60; \$14.70; \$14.80; \$14.90; \$15.00; \$15.10; \$15.20; \$15.30; \$15.40; \$15.50; \$15.60; \$15.70; \$15.80; \$15.90; \$16.00; \$16.10; \$16.20; \$16.30; \$16.40; \$16.50; \$16.60; \$16.70; \$16.80; \$16.90; 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Favor.

An ovation greets our Christmas merchandise. The business days of last week already passed have brought pleasing evidence that our fellow townfolk comprehend fully the advantages that the new store offers. The advertising to-day tells but only a fraction of what we have to tell for your advantage in Christmas buying.

Women's  
Capes.

Far and away the most remarkable values we have ever offered in equal goods. Cloth Capes for \$5.00. Stylish Capes for \$7.00. Astrakhan Cloth Capes for \$8.00. Plush Capes, many styles, at various prices. An assemblage of the most correct cold weather capes for women. The new Scotch Capes, with their nobly-plaid linings; the new Delft Blue Cloth Capes, with their attractive braid-trimming; the Serpentine Green Cloth Capes, with their coils of beautiful applique; all new and stylish, and would make desirable Christmas presents for mother, wife or sister.

Dress  
Goods.

No part of the store is in closer touch with the great business of the season than our Dress Goods department. Pretty Novelty Dress Goods for Christmas Gift-giving at 59, 75 and 98 cents a yard. If you have any money to invest in Dress Goods for Christmas presents, and have any respect for your own interests you will consider seriously our special Dress Goods offerings.

Silks for  
Gifts.

And what gift is more acceptable, prettier, or gives more real pleasure than silk for a gown or waist. Black and Fancy Silk Elegance and a variety of sharp bargains in prices is the attraction of our Silk Counter.

Our New  
Medallions.

100 large variety of popular subjects—size 10 by 8 colored pictures mounted on glass and framed in burnished chains. This is one of the most attractive offers we have ever made. This would be an easy-seller in most stores at 35 cents, but we place them on sale to-day for

17 Cents Each.

Fine  
Medallion  
Colorgraphs.

Everybody sells them for 50 cents, some stores ask 75. Size 12 by 12 in beautiful burnished chain frames. The Colorgraphs can hardly be told from genuine hand painted photographs. Popular subjects. Special prices to-day.

25 Cents.

## CHAINED

## Together In Pairs.

Twelve Criminals From the  
Lone Star State

## Pay a Visit to Lima.

In Charge of U. S. Marshal Ryan  
and Three Deputies.Murderers and Moonshiners  
From Indian Territory  
Convicted in U. S.  
Court.

Considerable interest was created among the people who were around the C. H. & D. depot yesterday noon when the C. H. & D. train from the south arrived. Attached to the train was a Big Four passenger coach in which were twelve United States prisoners who were being taken to Detroit to be placed in a prison at that place.

The prisoners were men who had been convicted in the United States court at Paris, Texas, for having committed offenses against the U. S. laws in the Indian Territory. The prisoners, while the train made a stop here of 20 minutes, were marched into the Hotel French where they were served with dinner. Their feet were chained together, and as they left the cars in twos and hobbled into the hotel, they were followed by a big crowd of people whose curiosity had been aroused by such an unusual appearance. The persons who followed inspected the prisoners closely and made many remarks on their peculiar appearance. The ages of the prisoners varied greatly. There was the old man with feeble step and whitened hair, and the young man who seemed scarcely old enough to be a voter. Some of the prisoners had the appearance of a criminal, while the expression on the faces of others bespoke an honest and upright character; but all had been offenders of the law in Indian territory and were on their way to Detroit to serve sentences. Their crimes varied from that of selling liquor to the Indians to that of murder. Two had received life sentences—one a colored man, the other an aged man whose face had not the appearance of a criminal. The twelve manacled men were peculiarly dressed. Most of them wore the large sombrero so characteristic of the western man. They appeared to be of a happy disposition and did not seem to realize what was awaiting them in Detroit.

The prisoners were in charge of J. V. Ryan, Sr., United States marshal at Paris, Texas, and his deputies—J. V. Ryan, Jr.; A. Gillmore, son of ex-Governor Gillmore, of Texas, and A. M. Burton, all of Paris, Texas. The party have been on the road several days and bore an expression of weariness.

United States marshal Ryan is a large and handsome appearing man and possesses that congenial disposition so characteristic of the southern citizen.

## Dancing School.

E. C. Finley's dancing school for beginners will hereafter meet every Monday evening in the armory. The first hour and a half will be devoted entirely to beginners. He will be assisted by six first-class assistants—three ladies and three gentlemen. Beginners should be on hand at 7:30 sharp, as teaching will begin at that time. Class reception Thursday evening.

5-2t

## Pay Your Water Bills

For the first half of 1898 and save the discount of 10 per cent.

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Holly wreaths, Xmas greens and beautiful flowers for the holidays at Mrs. E. E. Rogers, 104 W. Market St.

6-4t

## Leads Them All.

J. M. Arndt this week sold thirty-two boxes of Lenox soap more than any other store in the city.

5-2t

Fresh fish at Townsend's.

2t

## For Coughs.

Colds and Lung Troubles take Rock Candy and Pure Rye Whiskey, at the California Wine Co.

10tf

## W. V. R. U. Meets.

W. V. R. U. will meet Tuesday evening, December 21. All old officers and new officers are requested to be present for drill.

SECRETARY.

WHY neglect to secure one of those pocket books sold so cheap at Melville's?

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## Holly.

Choice Delaware Holly wreaths and Wreathings at Swan's, the Florist, 209 west Market street.

4t

## CAUGHT ON THE STREETS.

Brief Notes of Interest Concerning  
Events of the Day.

Frank Comer has resigned his position at the Oak.

Merl Langan, of the Buckeye, is taking a week's vacation.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Joy, of north Main street—a daughter.

Lee Downing will leave for the East sometime during the holiday week.

Billy Hammett's pleasant smile can now be seen behind the counter at the Oak restaurant.

Will Strickler, of the Buckeye, has been transferred to Montpelier, Ind., for a few weeks.

J. A. Hall to-day sold his grocery in the Keil block, Main and Spring streets, to Tabler & Zimmerman.

Frank Herrick, while skating on Hog Creek Sunday, struck an air hole, and was barely saved from drowning by W. R. Mease.

J. M. Burns, who is engaged in the oil business, will one day this week visit Miss Gertrude Stemen, of 1237 north West street.

Mrs. Henry Kemper, of north Elizabeth street, who has been seriously ill for several days past, is rapidly growing weaker, and very little hope of her recovery is entertained.

E. E. Aher has been called to Columbus to attend the funeral of his grandmother, Mrs. Murdock. From there he will go to Parkersburg, W. Va., to see his sister-in-law, who is seriously ill.

Joe Purtscher and his mother went to Detroit yesterday on account of the illness of Mrs. Purtscher's son, Chris. Word was received yesterday stating that his condition was worse. He is seriously sick with typhoid fever.

Saturday afternoon five little maids had a merry time at the home of Mr. F. B. Gardner, on S. Jackson street, the occasion being the fifth birthday of Dottie Gardner. A dainty luncheon was served at 3 o'clock. Those present were Nellie Kuhn, Lenore Keiffer, Fay Butler, Kittie Robb and Dottie Gardner.

Miss Ola Busick entertained a few friends at her home, 172 south Jackson street, Friday evening, in honor of B. Wisterman. Among those present were: Oa Maxwell, Josephine Tegenkamp, Doras Ritenour, Sophia Readley, Clayton Donze, Fred Burr, Charlie Carner, Harry Carner, Oscar Fry, Oliver Keiffer, Victor Ganilla.

The pupils of Miss Hammack's B grammar grade, east building, engaged in an interesting debate last Friday afternoon on the question "Would it be a benefit to the United States to Annex Cuba?" The affirmative was argued by Clifton Burgoyne, Wilbur Smith, Frank Kramer and Emory Hughes. The negative by Edgar Curtis, Willis Klumph, Elmer Newman, Ackerman Fisher and Cora Van Horn. Decision was in favor of the negative.

## AN OIL STOVE

Causes a Small Fire in the  
Applis Block.

Last night the central fire department was called out to extinguish a small fire in R. D. Griffith's room on the second floor of the Applis block. The fire, which originated from an oil stove, was extinguished by the use of the department's chemicals.

Go to Cardosi's, always the cheapest, for candies and fruits. Cincinnati block, public square.

6-6t

High chairs and children's rockers way down at New York Furniture Co., 18 Pub. Square.

6-3t

## Pay Your Water Bills

For the first half of 1898 and save the discount of 10 per cent.

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And we will undersell the ones who try to undersell us—New York Furniture Co., 18 Pub. Square.

6-3t

## Diamonds.

\$500 pendants in Macdonald & Co.'s window.

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## For Coughs.

Colds and Lung Troubles take Rock Candy and Pure Rye Whiskey, at the California Wine Co.

10tf

The New York Furniture Co. are closing out sideboards regardless of cost.

6-3t

Fancy Cups and Saucers, largest assortment in town at Hauenstein & Co's.

6-2t

Go to Cardosi's, always the cheapest, for candies and fruits. Cincinnati block, public square.

6-6t

FOUNTAIN PENS—We sell best dollar fountain pen made. See them at Melville's.

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Iron and Tin Toys, Picture Books and Rubber Goods, for your little ones, at Hauenstein & Co's.

6-2t

For the best values in Christmas rockers go to Neuman & Williams.

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## ECHOES

## Of Society Events.

"Klondikers" Entertained by  
Mr. and Mrs. Coulter.

## Other Brilliant Affairs

That are On the Calendar to  
Occur This Week.Dr. and Mrs. George Hall  
Will Entertain in Honor  
of the Misses  
Albright.

The weather was just in order for the "Klondikers" last Friday night, when they met at the cozy home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Coulter, of West Elm street. Four tables were filled with lovers of progressive pedro, Mr. and Mrs. I. Detwiler being guests of the club. All worked not for gold but for handsome prizes. Mr. Will Lockhart capturing the gentlemen's prize, a China ink well and pen tray. Mrs. Walter Brown took the ladies' prize, a handsome painted plate, while the consolation gifts fell to Mr. Walter Brown and Miss Van Winters. A tempting supper was next enjoyed, and at one o'clock all journeyed homeward.

The East End Club met Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Tell Agterter, of east Market street. The guests of the club were Mr. and Mrs. Frank McCoy, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Garretson and Mr. and Mrs. George Dismann. The successful winners of the first prizes were Mr. Fred McGrief and Mrs. George Dismann, who won a pearl envelope opener and a handsome plate, while much amusement was caused by the booby prize—an egg in a box—with a card saying "If you can't beat at cards beat this."

The following invitations have been issued to a large number of friends:

Dr. and Mrs. George Hall.  
H. L. Hall.  
Friday, December 21.  
Eight o'clock.  
Misses Albright.

Miss Inez Lowe leaves the first of the year for Knoxville, Ill., where she enters college.

Miss Susan Humston, who is attending college at Knoxville, Ill., will spend the holidays with an aunt in New York City.

At the business meeting of the Merry Makers, Thursday evening, it was decided that instead of giving a holiday hop the club would give a masquerade party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Johnston, Wednesday evening, December 29.

The Bay View Circle will meet with Mrs. Boyd Douglass Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Charles Vogan and children, who formerly lived in our city, but recently in Portland, Ind., are visiting Mrs. Will Hall, of West High street, and soon leave for Cairo, Virginia, where Mr. Vogan has accepted a position.

At Miss Sallie Cross's home, on South Elizabeth street, Friday evening about twenty-five young people enjoyed an evening at cards, music and merry-making.

Miss Carolyn Truesdale, of west High street, returned home Wednesday from Beaver College where she has been studying music.

Mrs. Paul Agterter, of east Market street, entertained a merry party of ladies last Wednesday evening. Progressive pedro held the attention of the ladies until a late hour, when Mrs. Grosjean was found to be the happy winner, securing a pretty hand-painted plate, Mrs. E. J. Barr winning the consolation prize.

The Fortnightly Club met on Saturday afternoon from two to four, the entertainment being a chocolate with interesting features. The refreshments consisted of chocolate heart-shaped cakes, chocolate bon-bons and chocolate with whipped cream. Miss Laura Reynolds was the one to receive a surprise in the form of a package shower of useful household articles, from cooking utensils to dainty dishes, all suitable for a bride-elect. The souvenirs of the day were unique little pink hearts with a clover leaf on one side.

## Palm Sale.

Special sale of Palms, Primroses, etc., at Swan's, 209 west Market, Wednesday, December 22.

6-2t

KODAKS—Nothing more appropriate or will give more pleasure than a kodak. \$5.00 up. Booklet free at Melville's.

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## ELOCUTIONARY

Recital Given by Miss Ellis  
Saturday Evening.

Saturday evening the Misses Ellis were at Unionopolis, where Miss Helen Ellis gave a very entertaining elocutionary recital, the programme for which was as follows:

Oh! Sir.....Translated by Alfred Ayers  
Mrs. Ellis.  
Lorraine, Lorraine.....Miss Kingsley  
Mrs. Ellis.  
Music.....Eugene Field  
60, 80, Rockaby.....Miss Ellis.  
Glaucus and Lion.....From Last Days Pompeii  
Miss Ellis.  
Music.....H. C. Bunner  
Caudor.....Bourcault  
Scenes from London Assurance.....Mrs. Ellis.

Music for the entertainment was furnished by two members of the Manhattan Mandolin Club. Miss Ellis enjoyed the patronage of an intelligent and appreciative audience, and each number received merited applause. After the recital the party were entertained at the Union hotel.

## SLIPPERY WALKS

Cause Many Pedestrians to  
Receive Severe Falls.

The slippery condition of the sidewalks has been the cause of many a hard fall yesterday and this morning. Many of the sidewalks were in such a condition that persons could not walk on them, and many persons have picked themselves up from the icy ground and looked around to see if any one had witnessed the fall.

Last evening Ed Titus and Mr. Levi Reichelderfer fell and severely hurt themselves. Both were injured about the face. Eddie fell at the corner of Wayne and Main streets. When he examined himself he found a deep two-inch cut above the right eye. Mr. Reichelderfer fell while coming out of the Trinity M. E. Church and severely cut his cheek and hand.

Bainger & Cameron, for  
Silver Novelties.

Dressing Cases, Cuff and Collar Boxes, Fan and Glove Boxes, Cigar and Smoking Sets at Hauenstein & Co's.

Couches, Rugs, Lamps, Rockers, Book Cases, Cabinets, Bric-a-brac—a thousand things for Xmas. We have the goods and prices.

NEWSON, DEAKIN &amp; Co.

## The Art League

Will meet with the Misses Badeau, cor. West and Spring streets, instead of with Miss Grafton.

5-2t

## Chas Tucker Repairs

All kinds of watches, and jewelry at Vorkamp's drug store.

23tf

## Xmas Trees.

Choice nursery grown and mounted ready for use at Swan's, the Florist, 209 west Market street.

4t

PERFUMES—We have stocked  
this year a very choice selection  
of the most popular odors. Come in  
and try them at Melville's.

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## We Like to Live at Peace

With all the jewelers, and hope our worthy competitors will not become offended at the following slaughter of prices now instead of after Xmas. The following are some that we must not carry over Xmas. They are yours as long as they last.

Five Handsome Chatelains worth \$9 to \$16, now \$4.90 to \$8. See our windows.

10 large pieces in latest cut Glass, including Claret Jugs and Bowls, with Gorham sterling mountings. \$25 to \$15, now \$18 to \$9. See our windows.

10 Gorgeous Rings, Moquet and Oval, with Dia, Emerald, Ruby, etc. See our windows. We will show you our manufacturer's bill of these.

5 R. P. O. Elk Emblems, the most gorgeous in the city, at manufacturer's price. See our windows.

1 genuine Krober Clock, with a pair of 10 stick candleabra, worth \$40, yours at \$27. This is a cut price. See our windows.

1 Tea Set, quadruple plate, worth \$15, yours at \$9.50. Only two of these. There is a number of other pieces at the same price.

These goods were bought to add richness to our stock, not with a view of profit, as that is made on smaller goods. These goods have served our purpose in advertising our beautiful window. They are yours at a manufacturer's price.

## MACDONALD &amp; CO.,

Old Postoffice Corner.